

84TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. CON. RES. 3

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 5, 1955

Mr. BROWNSON submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1       *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*  
2       *concurring)*, That there is hereby established a Joint Com-  
3       mittee on Central Intelligence to be composed of five Mem-  
4       bers of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the  
5       Senate, and five Members of the House of Representatives  
6       to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representa-  
7       tives. In each instance not more than three members shall  
8       be members of the same political party.

9       SEC. 2. The joint committee shall make continuing  
10       studies of the activities of the Central Intelligence Agency  
11       and of problems relating to the gathering of intelligence  
12       affecting the national security and of its coordination and

1 utilization by the various departments, agencies, and instru-  
2 mentalities of the Government. The Central Intelligence  
3 Agency shall keep the joint committee fully and currently  
4 informed with respect to its activities. All bills, resolutions,  
5 and other matters in the Senate or the House of Representa-  
6 tives relating primarily to the Central Intelligence Agency  
7 shall be referred to the joint committee. The members of  
8 the joint committee who are Members of the Senate shall  
9 from time to time report to the Senate, and the members of  
10 the joint committee who are Members of the House of Repre-  
11 sentatives shall from time to time report to the House, by  
12 bill or otherwise, their recommendations with respect to  
13 matters within the jurisdiction of their respective Houses  
14 which are (1) referred to the joint committee or (2) other-  
15 wise within the jurisdiction of the joint committee.

16 SEC. 3. Vacancies in the membership of the joint com-  
17 mittee shall not affect the power of the remaining members  
18 to execute the functions of the joint committee, and shall be  
19 filled in the same manner as in the case of the original  
20 selection. The joint committee shall select a chairman and a  
21 vice chairman from among its members.

22 SEC. 4. The joint committee, or any duly authorized  
23 subcommittee thereof, is authorized to hold such hearings,  
24 to sit and act at such places and times, to require, by sub-  
25 pena or otherwise, the attendance of such witnesses and the

1 production of such books, papers, and documents, to admin-  
2 ister such oaths, to take such testimony, to procure such  
3 printing and binding, and to make such expenditures as it  
4 deems advisable. The cost of stenographic services to re-  
5 port such hearings shall not be in excess of 25 cents per  
6 hundred words.

7 SEC. 5. The joint committee is empowered to appoint  
8 such experts, consultants, technicians, and clerical and sten-  
9 ographic assistance as it deems necessary and advisable.  
10 The committee is authorized to utilize the services, infor-  
11 mation, facilities, and personnel of the departments and es-  
12 tablishments of the Government.

13 SEC. 6. The expenses of the joint committee, which  
14 shall not exceed \$ per year, shall be paid one-half  
15 from the contingent fund of the Senate and one-half from the  
16 contingent fund of the House of Representatives upon vouch-  
17 ers signed by the chairman. Disbursements to pay such  
18 expenses shall be made by the Secretary of the Senate out  
19 of the contingent fund of the Senate, such contingent fund  
20 to be reimbursed from the contingent fund of the House of  
21 Representatives in the amount of one-half of the disburse-  
22 ments so made.

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